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LISTING OF CLAIMS

This Listing of Claims replaces all prior versions and listings of the claims in this application.

1. (original) A method of iterative parameter estimation comprising:

performing a first estimation of a first portion of a signal to obtain first parameters of the first portion of the signal, wherein the signal contains no known data symbols;

demodulating the first portion of the signal using the first parameters to recover data symbols;

checking the demodulated first portion of the signal to confirm correct demodulation of the first portion of the signal;

performing a second estimation of the first portion of the signal using the recovered data symbols to obtain second parameters of the first portion of the signal; and

demodulating a second portion of the signal using the second parameters when the first portion of the signal is correctly demodulated.

- (original) The method of claim 1, wherein the first portion is a header of the signal.
- 3. (original) The method of claim 1, wherein the first portion is a robust portion used for parameter estimation of the signal.
- 4. (original) The method of claim 1, wherein the first portion of the signal is encoded for error correction.
- 5. (original) The method of claim 4, wherein the second portion of the signal is not coded.
 - 6. (original) The method of claim 4, wherein the second portion is coded.
- 7. (original) The method of claim 1, wherein the signal is a signal in accordance with Bluetooth wireless technology.
- 8. (original) The method of claim 1, wherein the second estimation is performed using data aided estimation techniques.
- 9. (original) The method of claim 1, wherein the first estimation is performed using non-data aided or decision directed techniques.

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- 10. (original) The method of claim 1, wherein the first portion of the signal is binary Phase Shift Keying modulated and wherein the second portion is M-ary Phase Shift Keying modulated, wherein M is 2, 4, or 8.
- 11. (original) The method of claim 1 further comprising: requesting a retransmission of the signal, if the first portion is not demodulated correctly.
- 12. (currently amended) The method in claim 1, wherein at least one of the first and/or and second parameters is a frequency offset.
- 13. (currently amended) The method in claim 1, wherein at least one of the first and/or and second parameters is an optimum sampling time that is used in processing the second portion.
- 14. (currently amended) The method in claim 1, wherein at least one of the first and/or and second parameters is a set of one or more coefficients used for channel equalization.
- 15. (original) The method of claim 1, wherein the signal is a signal in a wireless ad-hoc network.
- 16. (original) The method of claim 1, wherein the first and second parameters are of the same type.
- 17. (original) The method of claim 1, wherein the second estimation and the demodulation of the first portion are performed at the same time.
 - 18. (original) An apparatus for iterative parameter estimation comprising:

logic that performs a first estimation of a first portion of a signal to obtain first parameters of the first portion of the signal, wherein the signal contains no known data symbols;

logic that demodulates the first portion of the signal using the first parameters to recover data symbols;

logic that checks the demodulated first portion of the signal to confirm correct demodulation of the first portion of the signal;

logic that performs a second estimation of the first portion of the signal using the recovered data symbols to obtain second parameters of the first portion of the signal; and

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logic that demodulates a second portion of the signal using the second parameters when the first portion of the signal is correctly demodulated.

- 19. (original) The apparatus of claim 18, wherein the first portion is a header of the signal.
- 20. (original) The apparatus of claim 18, wherein the first portion is a robust portion used for parameter estimation of the signal.
- 21. (original) The apparatus of claim 18, wherein the first portion of the signal is encoded for error correction.
- 22. (original) The apparatus of claim 21, wherein the second portion of the signal is not coded.
- 23. (original) The apparatus of claim 21, wherein the second portion of the signal is coded.
- 24. (original) The apparatus of claim 18, wherein the signal is a signal in accordance with Bluetooth wireless technology.
- 25. (original) The apparatus of claim 18, wherein the apparatus is a Bluetooth wireless technology device.
- 26. (original) The apparatus of claim 18, wherein the second estimation is performed using data aided estimation techniques.
- 27. (original) The apparatus of claim 18, wherein the first estimation is performed using non-date aided or decision directed techniques.
- 28. (original) The apparatus of claim 18, wherein the first portion the signal is binary Phase Shift Keying modulated and wherein the second portion is M-ary Phase Shift Keying modulated, wherein M is 2, 4, or 8.
- 29. (original) The apparatus of claim 18 further comprising: logic that requests a retransmission of the signal, if the first portion is not demodulated correctly.
- 30. (currently amended) The apparatus of claim 18, wherein at least one of the first and/or and second parameters is a frequency offset.
- 31. (currently amended) The apparatus of claim 18, wherein at least one of the first and/or and second parameters is an optimum sampling time that is used in processing the second portion.

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- 32. (currently amended) The apparatus of claim 18, wherein at least one of the first and/or and second parameters is a set of one or more coefficients used for channel equalization.
- 33. (original) The apparatus of claim 18, wherein the signal is a signal in a wireless ad-hoc network.
- 34. (original) The apparatus of claim 18, wherein the first and second parameters are of the same type.
- 35. (original) The apparatus of claim 18, wherein the second estimation and the demodulation of the first portion are performed at the same time.
- 36. (original) A method of receiving a signal in a wireless ad-hoc network comprising:

performing a first estimation of a first portion of the signal to obtain first parameters of the first portion of the signal, wherein the signal contains no known data symbols;

demodulating the first portion of the signal using the first parameters to recover data symbols;

checking the demodulated first portion of the signal to confirm correct demodulation of the first portion of the signal;

performing a second estimation of the first portion of the signal using the recovered data symbols to obtain second parameters of the first portion of the signal; and

demodulating a second portion of the signal using the second parameters when the first portion of the signal is correctly demodulated.

37. (original) The method of claim 36, wherein the ad-hoc network is a network in a Bluetooth wireless system.

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